

Albany, 22 Dec.
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My dear Sir,

On the day
before yesterday I carried
the two trunks containing
Henry Thoreau's MSS.
to Boston, and delivered
them to the Adams Ex
press, each trunk
marked with your
name & address, &
marked 'paid'. On
leaving the Albany

Depot, I hesitated
what I should do
with the two keys
in my pocket, &
decided to carry
them to the Court St.
office of Adams
& Co., & confide them
to the senior Adams
whom I know. He
advised me to put
them in a letter
which I had written

He would send
it at once; - This
was done, and I
trust you have
received the letter
of the trunks safely.
If so, please inform
me at your earliest
convenience.

With great regard

Yours
R. W. Emerson